

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Confirmation No.: 5070

Natsuhiko MORI et al.

Art Unit: 3656

Application No.: 09/320,649

Examiner: William C. JOYCE

Filed: May 27, 1999

Attorney Dkt. No.: 100725-09009

For: HYDRODYNAMIC TYPE OIL-IMPREGNATED SINTERED BEARING

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FILED WITH A REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: March 8, 2011

Sir:

Coupled with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination, Applicants request that, prior to initial examination, the above-identified application be **FURTHER** amended as shown below. This paper is in reply to the final Office Action dated December 8, 2010.

Amendments to the **Claims** begin on page 2.

Remarks/arguments are presented on page 6.